SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1051 By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Rachel Mercer, 2004 Salutatorian of College Heights Christian Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Mercer is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2004 graduating class at College Heights Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Mercer has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Rachel Mercer has earned an exemplary 4.5061 grade point average and achieved a composite score of 29 on the ACT; and

WHEREAS, a stellar scholar, Miss Mercer served with distinction as a member of the Homecoming Court as a Junior and as Student Council Representative and Class Treasurer during her Senior year at College Heights Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young lady has earned numerous accolades during her high school career; she received the Finney Award (all A's for the year) twice and the English Award, Bible Award, Algebra Award and Geometry Award and was tapped for inclusion on the A/B Honor Roll; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs,

Miss Mercer has been a member of the National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian

Athletes, Missions Club and the Vol State Math Team; and

WHEREAS, evidencing a strong commitment to public service at an early age, Rachel has volunteered her time and considerable talents in support of numerous worthy religious, civic and charitable projects, including participation in mission trips and Source Youth Group; and

WHEREAS, Miss Mercer's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success as a student at Middle Tennessee State University this fall and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Diane Mercer and Scott Mercer, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Mercer's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that Rachel Mercer, 2004 College Heights Christian Academy Salutatorian, is hereby honored and commended on her impressive academic achievement. We extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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